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## MORE ORATORY.

In Which It Is Promised There Will Be  
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On March 16, the aspiring orators of the Washburn College Literary society will meet in annual prize debate. There are two prizes offered. The best orator will receive \$6 and the next \$4.

There are six contestants who are anxious to win this prize. They are J. W. Newell, O. B. Irwin, Tom Adelstold, Stanley Evans, W. G. Magraw and Ward Silver.

Robert Stone, Rev. L. Blakesley and Judge Fairer will decide who shall be entitled to the prize both in thought and delivery. There will be music furnished by the local talent at the college. There will be no plagiarism this time.

## WILL NOT USE THE BRANCH THE LEAVENWORTH, TOPEKA & SOUTHWESTERN LINE TO BE ABANDONED.

The Union Pacific receivers have notified the receivers of the Santa Fe that they will shortly abandon the Leavenworth, Topeka & Southwestern railroad which runs between Leavenworth and Meriden.

This road is owned jointly by the Union Pacific and Santa Fe. That is, they have secured the payment of the bonds.

The road was overlooked when receivers were appointed for the Union Pacific and Santa Fe. This bonded indebtedness of the road is said to be more than \$1,000,000, while the current debt will make nearly as much more. The deal was made for the road about the time the Manhattan, Alma & Burlington line was taken in by the companies named.

The Union Pacific agreed to operate the Leavenworth road while the Santa Fe undertook the management of the other. When the Santa Fe went into the hands of the receivers the Manhattan road was included in the receivership. The Leavenworth road has always been an elephant and the Union Pacific will make an effort to get rid of it.

It is understood, that the Santa Fe receivers will refuse to operate the road.

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## WOULD BE A SOLON.

H. B. Welch Wants to Sit in the Legislature.

HE ANNOUNCES HIMSELF TODAY.

Other Features of the Legislative Session in This County.

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## NORTH TOPEKA.

Items of Interest from the North Side of the River.

Goodman Brothers are enlarging their business room.

J. Q. A. Peyton has moved to the country for the summer.

Evangelist A. J. White of Chicago, is expected in the city soon.

John Green has arrived from San Antonio, Texas, much improved in health.

Judge Joe Speer, who has been visiting in the city, departed for Oklahoma today.

Thomas Page will erect an addition to his mill this spring, 40000 feet, two stories high.

Frank Hale has moved across the street, while his old quarters are being enlarged.

H. B. Welch speaks on the north side tonight on "The Nature, Use and Abuse of Authority."

Rev. Mr. Ingels is engaged to conduct a Sunday school rally in Nortonville, sometime in this month.

Mrs. E. Christian and her granddaughter, Bessie Williams, have today from 1200 Topeka avenue, to Wednesday.

B. F. Goodman is in receipt of a telegram announcing the death of his aged father at Lancaster, Penna., Wednesday night.

Harry Shallow, Kent Rau, D. N. Bettis and other sporting people to the number of about thirty, went to Leavenworth this afternoon in a special car to attend the big cocking match.

The friends of Mr. and Mrs. H. W. Fraser, 115 Highland street, gave them a surprise party last evening. They made themselves doubly welcome by bringing many gifts useful to now housekeepers.

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Miss Callie Hardison, a returned missionary from Japan, delivered a fine address on the Japanese religion at the Second Christian church on Tuesday evening. The address was delivered before the monthly meeting of the Kansas Missionaries, a local organization devoted to Kansas missions.

At a meeting of the members of the Kansas Ave. M. E. church last night, the following trustees were selected for the ensuing year: Rev. P. T. Rhodes, E. L. Ball, A. J. King, J. L. Saunders, Wm. Gushard, and E. Washburn. An adjourned session of the quarterly conference was held afterwards, and the following trustees were elected: John H. Smith, E. C. Seeger, Mr. J. N. Horne, Mrs. J. T. Kirk, Mrs. Mary Brown, Rev. G. H. Hall, A. O. Holzbaugh and B. F. Kastner. Resolutions of respect and good will towards the returning pastor, Rev. G. W. Browning, and the returning presiding elder, Dr. G. S. Deardorff, were adopted.

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## MARCH OF THE DISCHARGED

Over the Hills From the Asylum Come Discharged Attendants.

James M. Turner, who has for five years been employed at the Insane asylum as an attendant, was discharged yesterday by the new superintendent, Dr. McCuskey.

Turner says eighteen others were also relieved from duty for political reasons, having been given notice fifteen days previous that their services would not be required after March 1st.

Turner says Dr. McCuskey is inaugurating a "reform" administration. Under Dr. Eastman's management no person but attendants were allowed to participate in the asylum dances, but Dr. McCuskey has for several weeks been inviting the general public to participate in these festivities.

Turner says under the Republican administration not over two persons out of the same family were employed at the asylum, but under the present management the Popular families range in size from one to six individuals, who are being cared for by the state. Turner had resigned before his notice of discharge reached him, and will leave Saturday night for Newkirk, Oklahoma, where he secured a claim last fall.

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MIKE THOMPSON'S CASE.

Witnesses Examined Did Not Offer Evidence Enough to Convict.

The case of Mike Thompson, who was charged with keeping a gambling house at 116 East Seventh street had a hearing this morning in police court.

All the witnesses who were introduced for the city testified they had never seen gambling going on in the place. Captain Gish said he knew of one of them losing \$60 in the place, who had just testified that he had never seen any gambling there. The city had no cause, as there was not sufficient evidence against him, and the case was dismissed. E. B. Eisenhart appeared for the defendant.

SNAP SHOTS AT HOME NEWS.

The cannonball yesterday had ten cars.

City Engineer Klingman is now able to ride out.

State Architect Seymour Davis is at Winfield.

Scott Matson died of rheumatism of the heart.

Captain Gish has a new story about Mrs. Lester.

The fire department has not been called out since Monday.

The Topeka edition of State Printer Snow's paper was issued yesterday.

Eleven bicycles followed the patrol wagon up Kansas avenue, last evening.

Dr. Dykes, the secretary of the state board of health, is preparing his report.

A large bulletin board has been placed in the upper hall in the Masonic building.

The Mission township Republican club will hold a meeting tomorrow at Grange hall.

Judge Hazen will call the entire court docket in the district court tomorrow morning.

There will be two sets of ballot boxes tomorrow, and the ladies will not vote for constables.

Bail & O'Donald have donated the printing of the tickets for the coming charity ball.

A former West Point man by the name of Tiffany is talked of for the position of assistant adjutant general.

The only men present at the Lucy Stone memorial yesterday were F. P. Baker and Thomas S. Lyon.

Most of the A. O. U. W. members of this city who attended the grand lodge at Fort Scott, returned today.

There are still a number of cases of insanity in the city, but they are not reported to the board of health.

The primaries begin at 2 o'clock tomorrow and close at 8 o'clock. Only known Republicans need apply.

An old fashioned song service occurs at the First Methodist church this evening. Bishop Vincent will speak.

The report of the state treasurer shows that there was \$355,254.40 in cash to the vanity of the state yesterday morning.

Rev. W. L. Bryant will go to Holton next week to deliver a lecture at the Presbyterian church on "Yankee Aristocracy."

Bernard Kelly has formally turned over the office of department commander of the G. A. R. to the new commander, W. P. Campbell.

The first of the series of sermons by Rev. C. M. Sheldon, will occur Sunday evening. The subject is "The Value of a Human Being."

The Santa Fe has a handsome descriptive and artistic book on "California and Back," by G. A. Higgins and illustrated by J. T. McCutcheon.

Dr. Eastman surrendered his position as superintendent of the Insane asylum yesterday and Dr. McCuskey is now in charge of that institution.

Mrs. G. S. Dearborn wife of the Methodist presiding elder of this district who resides at Highland Park, has been seriously sick for several days.

The reading room of the North Congregational church has had two new pews added to its list. One is from Boston and one from New York.

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